IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE TWENTIETH SEVENTH DAY OF JANUARY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE P.S.NARAYANA

WRIT PETITION NO :3466 of 1997

Between:

1. Sriramulu s/o. Poojari Ramaiah,

aged about 55 years, occ: Poojari &

cultivation

2. Thikkaiah s/o. Poojari Obulaiah,

aged about 53 years, occ: Poojari &

cultivation

3. Poojari Eranna s/o. Pedda Narsanna,

aged about 35 years

4. Nadipi Subbanna s/o. Hanumanthaiah,

aged about 55 years

5. Chinna Subbanna s/o. Poojari Hanumanthaiah,

aged about 50 years.

All are Poojaris of Sri Anjaneya Swamy's temple

R/o.Chinnapendekal village, Adoni Mandal,

Kurnool District.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

1. The District Collector, Kurnool,

Kurnool District.

2. The Revenue Divisional Officer,

Adoni, Kurnool District.

3. The Mandal Revenue Officer,

Adoni Mandal, Kurnool District.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate writ, order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in acquiring the land admeasuring Acs.6-25 cents of dry land of Sri Anjaneya Swamy's Temple in S.No.388/1 bounded by North : S.Nos.385, 386, 387; East : S.Nos.406, 407; South : S.Nos.388/2; West : S.Nos.389 & 390 in Chinnapendekal village, Adoni Mandal, Kurnool District as illegal, arbitrary, malafide, colourable exercise of their powers and contrary to the Government instructions in Memo No.2600/C1/78-1, dated 12-6-1978 and Memo No.1650/C1/83-1, dated 31-5-1983 and consequently direct the respondents not to acquire the said land.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.A.Purushotham Reddy, Advocate representing Sri A.Chandraiah Naidu

Counsel for the Respondents : G.P. for Land Acquisition

The Court made the following :

To

1. The District Collector, Kurnool,

Kurnool District.

2. The Revenue Divisional officer,

Adoni, Kurnool District.

3. The Mandal Revenue Officer,

Adoni Mandal, Kurnool District.

4. 2 C.Cs. to Government Pleader for Social Welfare,

& Government Pleader for Land Acquisition

High court of Andhra Pradesh,

High Court Buildings,

Hyderabad.

5. 2 C.D. copies